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Diwan Bahadur R. N. Arogyaswami Mudaliyar :—" Is it any use coming to the House for sanction of any deviation after the Government take the Secretary of State's sanction for the deviation ? "

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks :—" That is possible."

Recommendations of the Mettur deputation.

* 126 *Q.*—Mr. S. Satyamurti : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have considered the report of the Mettur deputation ;

(*b*) what recommendations of the deputation the Government have accepted or propose to accept ; and

(*c*) the reasons for rejecting the recommendations, if any, of the deputation ?

A.—The report is at present under the consideration of the Government.

Land Revenue

Yield of staple food crops in Ganjam, Kistna and other districts.

* 127 *Q.*—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state in terms of annas the yield of the staple food crops which represent—

(*a*) the bumper ;

(*b*) the normal ;

(*c*) the fair ; and

(*d*) the poor outturn for the districts of Ganjam, Kistna, Kurnool, Bellary, Tanjore, Malabar and South Kanara, respectively ?

A.—The yield in terms of annas is given below :—

bumper	13—16 annas.
normal	12 ,,
fair	8—11 ,,
poor	4—7 ,,
bad	0—3 ,,

This notation is common to all the districts. There is no separate notation for the districts mentioned by the hon. Member.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—Is the hon. the Revenue Member aware that the impression in the minds of many village officers is that the normal crop is 13—16 annas, while it is the bumper that is 13—16 annas."

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks :—" I do not admit the inference the hon. Member draws."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar : —" May I know what steps the Government have taken to periodically acquaint the village officers about these classifications of crops ? "

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks :—" The hon. Member is probably aware that every year instructions relating to them are impressed upon the village officers at jamabandi."